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Application of: Allan McLane and
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For: A VALVE CONTROL SYSTEM
FOR DISTRIBUTING AND
REGULATING THE FLOW
OF COOLANT

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed March 21, 2005, please amend the above-identified application in accordance with the amendments and remarks as set forth herein.

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.